



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, May 20, 2015

**CITY HALL KIVA FORUM
3939 N. DRINKWATER BLVD
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251**

PRESENT: Harry Schlegelmilch, Chair
Virginia Harris, Vice Chair
Anne Wurth, Commissioner
Sherry Woodley, Commissioner
Todd Davis, Commissioner
Ron Chambless, Commissioner
Michael Bouscher, Commissioner

STAFF: Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Director
Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager
Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager
Brett Jackson, Parks and Recreation Manager
Mike Russerio, IT
Stephanie Tippett, Assistant Coordinator

Call to order

Chair Schlegelmilch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present as noted above.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

Moment of Silence

Commission members observed a moment of silence.

1. Approval of the Minutes

a. Regular Meeting: May 6, 2015

COMMISSIONER WOODLEY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MAY 6, 2015 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. VICE-CHAIR HARRIS SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED SEVEN (7) TO ZERO (0).

2. Spring Training and Events Recap

Stephanie Tippett, assistant coordinator, gave a recap on the recently completed 2015 spring training season and discussed events that are currently taking place in the stadium.

She noted that the Spring Training season consisted of 17 home games with a total attendance for the season of 168,170, which put Scottsdale Stadium in third place for the Cactus League average attendance.

The recycling and trash diversion program continued during the Spring Training season, increasing the overall poundage that went into recycling from last season.

Ms. Tippett showed a short video depicting the field conversion process. The Rugby Bowl was held on April 18th with four matches played between two high school and two college championship teams. Arizona United Soccer season is four games into its season and will host a total of 15 home matches.

Recent and upcoming events at Scottsdale Stadium include the Scottsdale 20/30 Club kids event, the Date Night event, the Northbridge Completion celebration ceremony, Bridal Expo, City of Scottsdale Benefits and Safety Affair, and the Safety Breakfast.

Commission members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Ms. Tippett explained that the costs for the field conversions are funded through a special revenue account where Arizona United Soccer and the Rugby tournament contributed total costs including labor. Ms. Tippet said that the increase in success of the recycling program can be attributed to PA announcements, staff informing guests about the program, and use of a recycling compactor and recycled pallets.

3. Parks and Recreation Month

Kira Peters, Parks and Recreation Manager, gave a presentation discussing celebrating 30 years of National Parks and Recreation Month in July. The theme this year is the '80s. The City of Scottsdale will be putting together a calendar of events promoting recreation during the summer heat, the month of July, and parks and recreation all year.

Commission Members were given the opportunity to make comments. Brief discussion ensued about the importance of encouraging people to put down their smart phones and recreating.

4. Commissioner Report

Chair Schlegelmilch welcomed new commissioner Ron Chambless to the Commission.

Commissioner Davis said that he attended an Arizona United Soccer game at Scottsdale Stadium.

Vice-Chair Harris commended Terry Erickson for her efforts in putting together a nice reception for Jan Cameron. Vice-Chair Harris noted that she attended the Board and Commission Reception and enjoyed the mention of former Commissioner Koczka and the speech given by former Mayor Bill Schrader.

5. Director's Report of Current Events

Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Director, noted that on May 12th City Council met and established a the tentative budget, setting statutory fixes and maximum expenditure limits.

Date Night at the Scottsdale Stadium was successful with 601 attendees. Once a new score board is installed at Scottsdale Stadium, the Date Night event could be expanded to multiple times a year.

Aquatics training at MMR had 180 lifeguards go through the 30 hour training program. Water rescue training provided life guards an opportunity to experience a realistic rescue scenario. Scottsdale Syncro had a water show last week at MMR and had over 50 participants and 80 spectators attend.

YSFA had a meeting last night and invited 35 partners. Agreement on the policy is coming together and will be moving forward in the fall.

Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager, gave a presentation discussing the upcoming Mighty Mud Mania event. She noted that the Civic Center Library on display a pictorial history of 30 years of Mighty Mud Mania.

Mr. Pryor noted that McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park will be hosting the Sunday Evening concerts through July 5th.

6. Public Comment

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

7. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, and no need for an executive session, the regular meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
A/V Tronics, Inc. DBA AVTranz